



Date of Notice: January 29, 2020

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

PROJECT NAME/NUMBER: Special Event Permit - CRSSD Festival

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Downtown

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 3

LOCATION: Harbor Drive, Grape Street, Pacific Highway, Ash Street, County of San Diego
Water Park at the Embarcadero

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Special Event Permit for lane and road closures within the City of San Diego's jurisdiction that would be associated with a two-day music festival that would occur at the County of San Diego Waterfront Park at the Embarcadero on March 7-8, 2020. The event permit would be issued by the County. Noise associated with the event activities and set-up/dismantling would occur from 6 AM on March 2, 2020, until 10 PM on March 9, 2020. Lane closures would be associated with the event and would occur from 6 AM on March 3 until 5 PM on March 9, 2020, and would include one NB lane and the parking area on Harbor Drive between Ash and Grape, and the parking lane and pedestrian right-of-way on the west side of Pacific Coast Highway between Grape and Ash Streets. The parking spaces on the south side of Grape Street between Harbor Drive and Pacific Highway would be unavailable for public use from 6 AM on March 2 until 5 PM on March 9, 2020. Ash Street between Pacific Coast Highway and Harbor Drive would be closed from 6 AM on March 7 until 12 Midnight on March 3, 2020. There would be three stages with musical performances and sound amplification would occur from 5 PM until 8 PM on March 6 (sound checks), from 9 AM until 11 PM on March 7 (sound checks and event), and from 9 AM until 10 PM on March 8 (sound checks and event). On February 27, 2020, set-up would occur from 6 PM until 10 PM. On March 2-6, 2020, set-up would occur from 8 AM until 8 PM. On March 7, 2020, set-up would occur from 8 AM until 12 Noon, and the event would occur from 12 Noon until 11 PM. On March 8, 2020, set-up would occur from 8 AM until 12 Noon, the event would occur from 12 Noon until 10 PM, and dismantling would occur from 10 PM until 11:59 PM. On March 9, 2020, dismantling would occur from 12 AM until 10 PM.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego Mayor-Appointed Designee

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: CEQA exemptions §Section 15301 (Existing Facilities); §Section 15304(e) (Minor Alterations to Land); §Section 15311 (Accessory Structures); §Section 15323 (Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings).

ENTITY MAKING ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: City of San Diego Mayor-Appointed Designee

STATEMENT SUPPORTING REASON FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The City of San Diego conducted an environmental review and determined the project meets the categorical exemption

criteria set forth in the CEQA State Guidelines: §Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) which allows for the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing or minor alterations of existing public or private structures or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use; §Section 15304(e) (Minor Alterations to Land) which allows for minor, temporary use of land that has negligible or no permanent effects on the environment; §Section 15311 (Accessory Structures) which allows for construction, or placement of minor structures accessory to existing commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities, including, but not limited to, temporary use items in publicly owned facilities or other facilities designated for public use; §Section 15323 (Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings) which allows for the normal operations of existing facilities for public gatherings for which the facilities were designed, where there is a past history of the facility being used for the same or similar kind of purpose has been occurring for at least three years and that there is a reasonable expectation that the future occurrence of the project would not represent a change in the operation of the facility.

In addition, the exceptions set forth in the CEQA State Guidelines §15300.2 do not apply to this project wherein: a) the project would not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies; b) no cumulative impacts of successive projects of the same type in the same place were identified; c) there is no reasonable possibility that the project would have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances; d) the project would not result in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to, trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway; e) the project is not located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code; and f) the project would not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

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On January 29, 2020, the City of San Diego made the above-referenced environmental determination pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This determination is appealable to the City Council. If you have any questions about this determination, contact the City Development Project Manager listed above.

Applications to appeal CEQA determination made by staff (including the City Manager) to the City Council must be filed in the office of the City Clerk within 10 business days from the date of the posting of this Notice (**February 12, 2020**). The appeal application can be obtained from the City Clerk, 202 'C' Street, Second Floor, San Diego, CA 92101.

This information will be made available in alternative formats upon request.

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